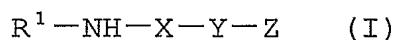


## CLAIMS

1. An aqueous composition comprising a thiazole derivative of the formula (I):



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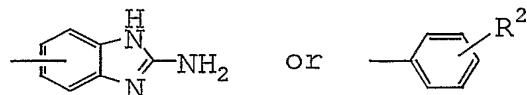
$R^1$  is acyl;

$X$  is a bivalent residue derived from optionally substituted thiazole;

$Y$  is a bond, lower alkylene, lower alkenylene or  $-CONH-$ ;

10 and

$Z$  is a group of the formula:



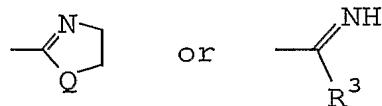
wherein  $R^2$  is a group of the formula:  $-A-B-D-E$

wherein  $A$  is a bond, lower alkylene,  $-NH-$  or  $-SO_2-$ ;

15  $B$  is a bond, lower alkylene,  $-CO-$  or  $-O-$ ;

$D$  is a bond, lower alkylene,  $-NH-$  or  $-CH_2NH-$ , provided that when  $B$  is  $-CO-$  or  $-O-$ ,  $D$  is not a bond; and

$E$  is optionally protected amino,  $-N=CH_2$ ,



20 wherein

$Q$  is  $-S-$  or  $-NH-$ ; and

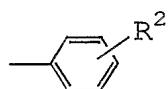
$R^3$  is hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkylthio or

$-NH-R^4$  wherein  $R^4$  is hydrogen,  $-NH_2$  or

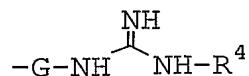
lower alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and an additive selected from the group consisting of polyol, sugar, sugar alcohol, boric acid or its salt, and water.

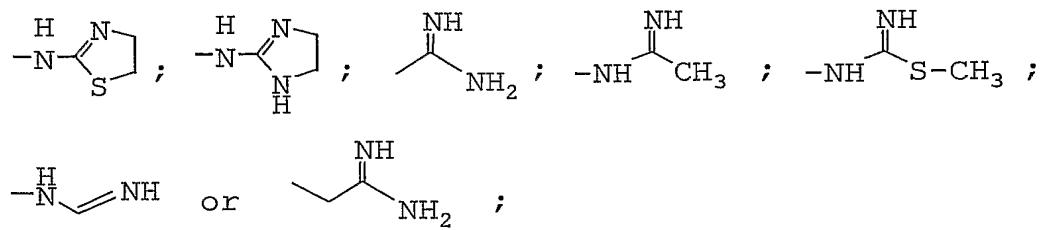
5 2. The composition of claim 1, wherein Z of the formula (I) is a group of the formula:



wherein R<sup>2</sup> is a group of the formula:

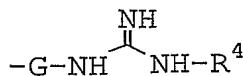


10 (wherein G is a bond, -NHCOCH<sub>2</sub>- or lower alkylene and R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen, -NH<sub>2</sub> or lower alkyl); -NH<sub>2</sub>; -CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>; -CH<sub>2</sub>ONH<sub>2</sub>; -CH<sub>2</sub>ON=CH<sub>2</sub>;

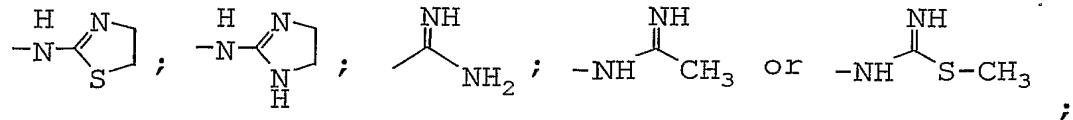


or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

15 3. The composition of claim 2, wherein R<sup>2</sup> of the formula (I) is a group of the formula:



(wherein G is a bond, -NHCOCH<sub>2</sub>- or lower alkylene and R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen or lower alkyl); -CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>; -CH<sub>2</sub>ONH<sub>2</sub>; -CH<sub>2</sub>ON=CH<sub>2</sub>;



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. The composition of any of claims 1 to 3, wherein R<sup>1</sup> of the formula (I) is alkylcarbonyl and X is a bivalent residue derived from thiazole optionally substituted by methylsulfonylbenzyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5. The composition of claim 1, wherein the thiazole derivative is

10 N-{4-[2-(4-{[amino(imino)methyl]amino}phenyl)ethyl]-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}acetamide,  
 N-{4-[2-(4-{[amino(imino)methyl]amino}phenyl)ethyl]-5-[4-(methylsulfonyl)benzyl]-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}acetamide,  
 N-{4-[2-(4-{[hydrazino(imino)methyl]amino}phenyl)ethyl]-5-[4-(methylsulfonyl)benzyl]-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}acetamide,  
 15 N-{4-[2-(4-{[hydrazino(imino)methyl]amino}phenyl)ethyl]-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}acetamide,  
 N-{4-[2-(4-{[amino(imino)methyl]amino}ethyl)phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}acetamide, or  
 N-(4-{2-[4-(2-  
 {[amino(imino)methyl]amino}ethyl)phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-thiazol-  
 20 2-yl)acetamide,  
 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.